

# House Bill 2862

Sponsored by Representative GILMAN (at the request of Michael Getty)

## SUMMARY

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Grants exemption from wearing safety belts while riding in school buses or school activity vehicles equipped with safety belts.

## A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to safety belts in school vehicles; amending ORS 811.215.

3 **Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:**

4 **SECTION 1.** ORS 811.215 is amended to read:

5 811.215. ORS 811.210 does not apply to:

6 (1) Privately owned commercial vehicles, as defined in ORS 801.210. The exemption in this sub-  
7 section does not apply to any of the following:

8 (a) Vehicles commonly known as pickup trucks that have a combined weight of less than 10,000  
9 pounds.

10 (b) Motor carriers, as defined in ORS 825.005, when operating in interstate commerce.

11 (c) Vehicles designed and used for the transportation of 15 or fewer persons, including the  
12 driver, except that the operator of a vehicle described in this paragraph is not required to:

13 (A) Be properly secured with a safety belt or safety harness as required by ORS 811.210 if the  
14 operator is a taxicab operator; or

15 (B) Ensure that a passenger is properly secured with a child safety system as described in ORS  
16 811.210 (2)(a) and (b).

17 (2) Any vehicle not required to be equipped with safety belts or safety harnesses at the time the  
18 vehicle was manufactured, unless safety belts or safety harnesses have been installed in the vehicle.

19 **(3) A school bus or school activity vehicle even if equipped with safety belts or safety  
20 harnesses.**

21 [(3)] (4) Any vehicle exempted by ORS 815.080 from requirements to be equipped upon sale with  
22 safety belts or safety harnesses.

23 [(4)] (5) Any person for whom a certificate is issued by the Department of Transportation under  
24 ORS 811.220.

25 [(5)] (6) Any person who is a passenger in a vehicle if all seating positions in the vehicle are  
26 occupied by other persons.

27 [(6)] (7) Any person who is being transported while in the custody of a police officer or any law  
28 enforcement agency.

29 [(7)] (8) Any person who is delivering newspapers or mail in the regular course of work.

30 [(8)] (9) Any person who is riding in an ambulance for the purpose of administering medical aid  
31 to another person in the ambulance, if being secured by a safety belt or safety harness would sub-

**NOTE:** Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter [*italic and bracketed*] is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in **boldfaced** type.

1   stantially inhibit the administration of medical aid.

2       ~~[(9)]~~ **(10)** Any person who is reading utility meters in the regular course of work.

3       ~~[(10)]~~ **(11)** Any person who is employed to operate a vehicle owned by a mass transit district  
4 while the vehicle is being used for the transportation of passengers in the public transportation  
5 system of the district.

6       ~~[(11)]~~ **(12)** Any person who is collecting solid waste or recyclable materials in the regular course  
7 of work.

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